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These things were taken by Dr. Baldwin to the police of the Clason Avenue station, and the lieutenant there sealed them and will take them to the Public Administrator to-day. There they will be held to await a relative of the old woman. But so far as the police have been able to learn she had no relatives in the city, and they are investigating a report that she had two nieces in Manhattan.

NEGLECT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS CHARGED

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The schools are not receiving a proper amount of attention from holders of public office, who are thereby failing the people in the greatest trust placed in their hands. That was the substance of a warning from Dr. Karl Reiland, rector of St. George's Episcopal Church, in his sermon yesterday morning. "Civilization is crying for a better world," he said, "and we can never reach it unless we give proper consideration to the training of the rising generation."

Dr. Reiland pointed out that the task of building up the school system in this city and in the country generally rests almost wholly with such persons as are placed in public office, for the reason that wealthy families send their children to private schools and do not in the main concern themselves about conditions in the public schools, while the parents of poorer children who use the public schools are not in a position to make their dissatisfaction result in improvement.

"Germany," he declared, "revealed to the world what the upbringing of a carefully wrought school system can accomplish. What Germany directed wrongly must direct rightly to the better of the present. But when you think of it it is not surprising that our officials neglect the public schools. It is not often that they are prodded about their duties."

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In answer Mr. Banton disavowed all responsibility for Swann and declared his responsibility was only for ten months. Banton charged that the debate was unfair in that a series of questions were shot at him which he could not possibly answer in the ten minutes allowed him by the rules of the debate for his rebuttal. Banton charged that when Clark was an Assistant District Attorney for five years he tried only fifty-nine cases and got only nine convictions.

When he went back to reply to Banton, Clark said:

"What right has this gentleman to talk of fairness when he knows that the figures he recites for my record cover only six weeks? Did you notice his sidekick on Swann—that would make a hit on the dancing stage?"

Banton Adopts Hyman's Plans.

The debate was marked by much bitterness. Banton followed Mayor Hyman's campaign plan by telling of his boyhood hardships and his fight for an education. The big auditorium was crowded and hundreds were turned away. It was the first debate between two prominent candidates in the campaign, and Mr. Clark took advantage of the occasion to concentrate his attack on the administration of the office under Swann by asking Banton a long series of questions. Under the rules agreed upon there was no applause, and it was enforced, although the audience several times almost broke loose.

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His Plans if Elected.

"If you are elected do you intend to continue the same staff? Isn't it a fact every assistant goes to his district boss when he wants a favor done or a salary raise and not to the District Attorney to ask it? That big cases have slept and slumbered in the office?"

"The Mitchell slush fund cases have not yet been brought to trial; that twelve persons indicted for violation of the laws against election frauds last year have not been brought to trial; that the indictments found against prominent State officials a year ago, after being allowed to sleep for a year by your office, have been unable to be there, and the time of a trial for felony witnesses frequently disappear or are bought off and guilty defendants escape without punishment?"

Cooperation With Police.

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"That the Governors of the State have taken matters of criminal prosecution out of the hands of the District Attorney and placed them in the hands of the Attorney General; that you abolished the Bureau of Commercial Frauds; that larger numbers of automobiles have been stolen daily than ever before, and that no efficient aid either to stop such thefts or to punish the thieves has been rendered to the police by your office; that in the last five years thousands of children have been killed by automobiles and that in many cases drivers have been criminally reckless, but that virtually none of them

Schedules of Speeches in Campaign To-night

HENRY H. CURRAN, Republican coalition candidate for Mayor, Mayor Hyman and Jacob Banton, Socialist candidate, will speak to-night at a joint meeting of the Park Community Council and the League of Women Voters at Hunter College, Park Avenue and Sixty-seventh street.

Mr. Curran also will speak at the following meetings:

Marquette Club, Commodore Hotel.

Greenwich Village and other American Legion posts' hall at Pennsylvania Hotel.

Public School 37, 145th street, east of Willis Avenue, The Bronx, where Mr. Hyman, President of the Board of Aldermen, also will speak.

Women's Republican Club, Sixth Assembly District, The Bronx, 1440 Williamsbridge road.

William Travers Jerome will speak in Mr. Curran's behalf at Public School 163, Bay Fourteenth street and Seventeenth avenue, Brooklyn.

Samuel Untermyer will speak in behalf of Senator Charles C. Lockwood, Republican coalition candidate for Comptroller, at Public School 84, Glenmore avenue and Washington street, Brooklyn. Senator Lockwood and P. H. La Guardia also will speak.

Ernest P. Eliert, Republican coalition candidate for President of the Borough of Manhattan, will speak to-night at Public School 13, East Houston street, from which he was graduated in 1889.

Mayor Hyman and Comptroller Charles L. Craig, candidates to succeed themselves, and Murray Hulbert, Democratic candidate for President of the Board of Aldermen, will speak at the Children's Court, 111 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. They will speak at the following points to-night:

Polish-American Citizens Association, Arlington Hall, St. Mark's place, east of Third avenue, Manhattan.

The Citizens' Independent Union, American Democratic Club, Vanderbilt Hotel.

Public School 17, Forty-seventh street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, Manhattan.

St. Joseph's Hall, 127th street and Convent avenue.

Audubon Hall, 168th street and Broadway.

George Washington High School, Public School 52, Vermilion avenue and Broadway.

Mr. Hulbert has the following additional engagements:

Oberlin Democratic Club, 301 West Twelfth street, and the hotel fraternity, 111 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn, and the following: Brooklyn: Associated Democratic Club, 423 Thirteenth avenue; Sixth Assembly District mass meeting, Victory Hall, Nostrand and Myrtle avenues, and the Andrew Jackson Democratic Club, Loyola Hall, Rogers avenue and Carroll street.

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